

LISTING OF THE CLAIMS

Claims 1-11 (canceled).

12 (amended): A method of depositing a metal having corrosion resistance on a separator for a fuel cell, the method comprising the steps of projecting to a separator of a unit cell for forming the fuel cell, the separator being made of a metallic material with a passivation film on the surface, a solid plating material comprised of hard metal core particles having a higher hardness than the separator and coated with a metal having corrosion resistance and carbon contact resistance of not more than $20 \text{ m}\Omega \cdot \text{cm}^2$ at a contact pressure of at least $1 \text{ kg} \cdot \text{f}/\text{cm}^2$ so as to destroy the passivation film and to compulsorily deposit the metal coated on this solid plating material to the separator.

13 (previously presented): A method as set forth in claim 12, wherein a projection velocity of the solid plating material to the separator is 20 to 100 m/sec.

14 (previously presented): A method as set forth in claim 12, wherein the projection of the solid plating material to the separator is performed by a flow of dry air.

15 (previously presented): A method as set forth in claim 12, wherein the projection of the solid plating material is performed by a rotating impeller.

16 (previously presented): A method as set forth in claim 12, wherein the projection of the solid plating material is performed by a flow of water.

17 (previously presented): A method as set forth in claim 12, wherein the projection of the solid plating material is performed by a flow of inert gas.

Claims 18-19: (canceled).

20 (amended): A method as set forth in claim 12, wherein the metal having corrosion resistance to be coated on the hard metal core particles of the solid plating material is a single metal or an alloy.

21 (amended): A method as set forth in claim 12, wherein the metal having corrosion resistance to be coated on the hard metal core particles of the solid plating material is at least one of gold, silver, copper, and nickel.

22 (new): A method as set forth in claim 12, wherein the hard metal core particles have a particle size of 30-300 μm .